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Itneg language

Itneg is a South-Central Cordilleran dialect continuum found in the island of Luzon, Philippines. This language and Ilocano are spoken by the Itneg people (sometimes also referred to as the "Tingguian people") in Abra province.

Several ethnic-Itneg dialects are taxonomically part of the neighboring Kalinga language.

Itneg	
Native to	Philippines
Region	Luzon
Ethnicity	Igorot
Native speakers	17,000 (2003)[1]
Language family	Austronesian ▪ Malayo-Polynesian ▪ Philippine ▪ Northern Luzon ▪ Meso-Cordilleran ▪ Central Cordilleran ▪ Kalinga–Itneg ▪ **Itneg**
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	Variously: itb – Binongan Itneg = Adasen language - Ba-i Lagayan and Tineg iti – Inlaod Itneg itt – Maeng Itneg tis – Masadiit Itneg ity – Moyadan Itneg
Glottolog	itne1252 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/itne1252)[2]

Locations and dialects

Ethnologue reports the following locations for each of the 5 Itneg languages.

- **Binongan Itneg**: Licuan-Baay, Abra Province. 7,500 speakers.
- **Inlaod Itneg**: a few villages in Peñarrubia, Lagangilang, Danglas, and Langiden municipalities, Abra Province. 9,000 speakers.
- **Maeng Itneg**: Luba, Tubo, and Villaviciosa municipalities, Abra Province. 18,000 speakers.
- **Masadiit Itneg**: Sallapadan, Bucloc, and Boliney municipalities, Abra Province; also in the western border strip of Kalinga Province. 7,500 speakers. Dialects are Masadiit Boliney and Masadiit Sallapadan.
- **Moyadan Itneg**: Abra Province. 12,000 speakers.

However, Ronald Himes (1997)[3] recognizes 2 dialects for Itneg, namely **Binongan** (eastern) and **Inlaod** (western).

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Areas where the various Itneg dialects (including Kalinga Itneg) are spoken according to Ethnologue

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